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For Immediate Release:

AYDT RECEIVES EIU CHEMISTRY AWARD

CHARLESTON – Brendan P. Aydt of Paris recently received the George L. Cunningham Scholarship from the Eastern Illinois University chemistry department.

The award was established by Nell Cunningham, along with her family, in memory of her husband, George L. Cunningham Jr., a faculty member in the chemistry department at Eastern Illinois University from 1961 until his retirement in 1986. The award is also in memory of his parents, George L. Cunningham Sr. and Irene Brooks Cunningham.

The award goes annually to a chemistry major who has shown academic excellence and promise for distinction in the field of chemistry. Preference is given to students whose performance in physical chemistry, which was Cunningham's specialty, is particularly outstanding.

Aydt, son of James and Ellen Aydt of Paris, is a senior mathematics/chemistry major. He is a 2001 graduate of Paris High School.